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**MEDICAL TEST SITE WAIVER EDUCATION PERIOD AND RESOURCE INFORMATION**

Dear Provider:

This letter is to inform providers of an extended education period to allow providers more time to adjust to the requirements. During this period when Residential Care Services staff identify an unlicensed Medical Test Site during inspection or investigation, staff will provide education on how to obtain a Medical Test Site Waiver license. RCS staff will not write citations or make referrals to Department of Health until after June 30, 2023.

On April 1, 2022, we informed you about state and federal regulations related to medical tests done in Adult Family Homes (AFH) and Enhanced Services Facilities (ESF). ([Provider Letter 2022-013 and 2022-014](#)). The letter explained that certain types of medical testing, including COVID-19 and glucose testing, require a state Medical Test Site Waiver (MTSW) license, what the requirements for licensure are, and how to decide if the medical tests conducted in your facility require a MTSW license.

On April 18, 2022, in [Provider Letter 2022-017 and 2022-014](#) Residential Care Services shared links to education materials, which include a recorded webinar explaining the MTSW requirements, application process, and test results reporting requirements.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions about MTSW licensure, please contact the Department of Health Medical Test Site program at [LQA@doh.wa.gov](mailto:LQA@doh.wa.gov) or 253-395-6746.

If you have questions about accessing the training materials on the Adult Family Home Provider page, please contact Colleen Jensen, Adult Family Home Policy Program Manager, at (564) 999-3182 or [colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov); or Sondra Haas, Enhanced Services Facilities Policy Program Manager, at [Sondra.haas@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:Sondra.haas@dshs.wa.gov) or (360) 688-0715.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Mike Anbesse in black ink.

Mike Anbesse, Director  
Residential Care Services

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